IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 6 and replace with the following:

This application claims the benefit of the filing date of corresponding U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. [[_____]] 60/21/,389, entitled "System for providing a policy-based demand and use of functions like virtual volumes, instant copy, RAID, etc.", filed June 19, 2000. In addition, the present invention is related to applications entitled A SYSTEM TO SUPPORT DYNAMICALLY FLEXIBLE DATA DEFINITIONS AND STORAGE REQUIREMENTS, serial no. [[_____]] 09/751,635, Attorney Docket Number 00-059-DSK; EFFECTING INSTANT COPIES IN A DYNAMICALLY MAPPED SYSTEM, serial no. [[_____]] 09/884,294, Attorney Docket Number 00-060-DSK; USING CURRENT RECOVERY MECHANISMS TO IMPLEMENT DYNAMIC MAPPING OPERATIONS, serial no. [[_____]] 09/800,714, Attorney Docket Number 00-061-DSK; DYNAMICALLY CHANGEABLE VIRTUAL MAPPING SCHEME, serial no. [[_____]] 09/751,772, Attorney Docket Number 00-062-DSK; FLOATING VIRTUALIZATION LAYERS, serial no. [[_____]] 09/752,071, Attorney Docket Number 00-116-DSK, and SELF-DEFINING DATA UNITS, serial no. [[_____]] 09/751,641, Attorney Docket Number 00-117-DSK, which are filed even date hereof, assigned to the same assignee, and incorporated herein by reference.